

ALASKA'S THREAT LEVEL LOWERED TO MATCH NATION

Governor approves move down to 'Yellow' from 'Orange'; calls for caution, vigilance

Following evaluation of potential threats by the intelligence community and the Federal Department of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Homeland Security Council, the President lowered the threat advisory level from 'Orange' to the 'Yellow' level.

"In turn, our Alaska's Disaster Policy Cabinet recommended that we follow suit, and I approved it," said Governor Frank H. Murkowski. "This means that the risk is still significant. Therefore we must remain vigilant and alert and vigorously continue to implement the security procedures for threat level 'Yellow'. We encourage reporting of suspicious activities during all threat levels. "

"While we continue to be at risk to the threat of terrorism at an elevated level, extensive protective measures remain in place throughout our nation. I extend my sincere appreciation to leaders, at all levels, all across Alaska from both the public and private sector over the past month. In this way, Alaskans took part in defending our own homeland during this period of time," he said.

Officials note that 'Yellow' is still a state of elevated alert and we need to continue our vigilance in order to ensure the security of our homeland. They also point out that April 19 marks the anniversary of both the Waco fire and the Oklahoma City bombing and is a date significant to the agenda of antigovernment individuals.